

Our Story.

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A FAMILY STORY OF TO-DAY. BY THE AUTHOR OF "OUR NELL," "A SAILOR'S DAUGHTER," ETC.

CHAPTER XXXVI. (Continued.)

BY-AND-BY Waterhouse made a deliberate effort to get in line with Grace, and there was so much of determination in his manner, that he succeeded in gaining his end, and the two found themselves out of earshot of the others. There was silence for a moment or so; then Waterhouse said, in a tone there was no mistaking— "Your mother says I may come back to Barbara street."

"Why, Grace," said Hester, "if you do not love him, you have done a great deal, for he thinks you do." Grace's face grew crimson. "I have never meant him to think so," she said, less vehemently. "But do you, Grace? Do tell me. He is coming back to Barbara street. Surely you ought not to let him come if you feel like this. He is too good and too much in earnest to be played with."

CONCLUSION.

WATERHOUSE remained abroad for four months. This extended absence, and, indeed, his departure itself, were due to Mrs. Norris, who perhaps intended to give Grace time to miss him. But when he returned, it seemed to him that Grace had put the time to the quite different use of forgetting him. She had resumed the duty of waiting upon him, but with it also that manner which set up, as of old, an intangible and impassable barrier between them.

have me stay to be played with, to fritter away my time, and never to get my answer. Isn't that very unkind and unjust?" As Grace did not speak, or remove her hands, he removed them for her, and made her look at him, which she did in a frightened and deprecating way. It was evident that he had successfully stormed the citadel, taken it by a surprise, which is supposed to be equally fair in love and in war.

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Sabbath School Work.

LESSON HELPS. FOURTH QUARTER. THOMAS CONVINCED. LESSON VI., November 7th., John xx. 19-31; memorise verses 26-28. GOLDEN TEXT.—And Thomas answered and said unto him, my Lord and my God.—John xx. 28. TITLE.—Sunday evening, April 9, A.D. 30, and Sunday evening, April 16. PLACE.—A room in Jerusalem.